

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-identified application.

Listing of Claims

1. – 21. (Cancelled)
22. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
a disk drive receiving and storing an electronic program guide (EPG);
copying portions of the EPG to dynamic random access memory (DRAM);
partitioning the EPG into a program portion, a channel portion, and a schedule portion,
wherein the program, channel and schedule portions are stored in the disk drive;
receiving a coded signal;
decoding the coded signal.
23. (Cancelled)
24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 further comprising:
partitioning the program portion into first and second program sub portions, wherein the
second program sub portion is copied to the DRAM.
25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 further comprising:
partitioning the channel portion into first and second channel sub portions, wherein the
second channel sub portion is copied to the DRAM.
26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 further comprising:
partitioning the schedule portion into first and second schedule sub portions, wherein the
second schedule sub portion is copied to the DRAM.
27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 further comprising:

partitioning the program portion into first and second program sub portions, wherein the second program sub portion is copied to the DRAM;
partitioning the channel portion into first and second channel sub portions, wherein the second channel sub portion is copied to the DRAM;
partitioning the schedule portion into first and second schedule sub portions, wherein the second schedule sub portion is copied to the DRAM.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 further comprising:
copying first data from the DRAM to the hard disk;
deleting the first data from the DRAM after it is copied to the hard disk.
29. (Currently Amended) A set-top receiver for receiving an EPG, the set-top receiver comprising:
a microprocessor;
a decoder for decoding coded signals;
a ~~hard~~ disk drive coupled to the microprocessor, wherein the disk drive is configured to store the EPG received by the set-top receiver;
a DRAM coupled to the hard drive, wherein the DRAM is configured to receive and store portions of the EPG from the hard drive;
a memory for storing instructions executable by the microprocessor, wherein the microprocessor is configured to implement a method, the method comprising:
partitioning the EPG stored in the hard drive into a program portion, a channel portion, and a schedule portion, wherein the program, channel and schedule portions are stored in the disk drive.
30. (Cancelled)
31. (Previously Presented) The set-top receiver of claim 29 wherein the method further comprises:
partitioning the program portion into first and second program sub portions, wherein the second program sub portion is copied to the DRAM.

32. (Previously Presented) The set-top receiver of claim 29 wherein the method further comprises:

partitioning the channel portion into first and second channel sub portions, wherein the second channel sub portion is copied to the DRAM.

33. (Previously Presented) The set-top receiver of claim 29 wherein the method further comprises:

partitioning the schedule portion into first and second schedule sub portions, wherein the second schedule sub portion is copied to the DRAM.

34. (Previously Presented) The set-top receiver of claim 29 wherein the method further comprises:

partitioning the program portion into first and second program sub portions, wherein the second program sub portion is copied to the DRAM;

partitioning the channel portion into first and second channel sub portions, wherein the second channel sub portion is copied to the DRAM;

partitioning the schedule portion into first and second schedule sub portions, wherein the second schedule sub portion is copied to the DRAM.

35. (Previously Presented) The set-top receiver of claim 29 wherein the method further comprises:

copying first data from the DRAM to the hard disk;

deleting the first data from the DRAM after it is copied to the hard disk.

36. (Previously Presented) A memory medium for storing instructions executable by a microprocessor in a set-top receiver, wherein the microprocessor implements a method in response to executing the instructions, the method comprising:

storing an electronic program guide (EPG) in a hard drive of the set-top box;

copying portions of the EPG from the hard drive to a dynamic random access memory (DRAM);

partitioning the EPG into a program portion, a channel portion, and a schedule portion, wherein the program, channel and schedule portions are stored in the disk drive.

37. (Cancelled)

38. (Previously Presented) The memory medium of claim 36 wherein the method further comprises:

partitioning the program portion into first and second program sub portions, wherein the second program sub portion is copied to the DRAM.

39. (Previously Presented) The memory medium of claim 36 wherein the method further comprises:

partitioning the channel portion into first and second channel sub portions, wherein the second channel sub portion is copied to the DRAM.

40. (Previously Presented) The memory medium of claim 36 wherein the method further comprises:

partitioning the schedule portion into first and second schedule sub portions, wherein the second schedule sub portion is copied to the DRAM.

41. (Previously Presented) The memory medium of claim 36 wherein the method further comprises:

partitioning the program portion into first and second program sub portions, wherein the second program sub portion is copied to the DRAM;

partitioning the channel portion into first and second channel sub portions, wherein the second channel sub portion is copied to the DRAM;

partitioning the schedule portion into first and second schedule sub portions, wherein the second schedule sub portion is copied to the DRAM.